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PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

श्री सभापति : माननीय सदस्यगण, मैं एक निवेदन करना चाहूंगा । माननीय सदस्य शांति रखे, मैं एक निवेदन करना चाहूंगा । क्वैश्चन आवर के बाद जब तक स्पेशल मेंशंस का उल्लेख न हो जाए, माननीय सदस्य इस तरह से आवाजाही न करे ।

Report and Accounts (2001-2002) of the National Projects Construction Corporation Ltd., New Delhi and related papers.

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI) : Sir, I lay on the Table :-

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:

(a) Forty-fifth Annual Report and Accounts of the National Projects Construction Corporation Limited, New Delhi, for the year 2001-2002, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Corporation.

II. Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (i) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7335/03]

Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL) : Sir, I lay on the Table :-

I. (i) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Company Affairs), under sub-section (3) of section 641 of the Companies Act, 1956:-

(a) G.S.R. 565 (E) dated the 14th August, 2002, amending the provisions of Schedule XIII prescribing the amount not exceeding Rs. 2,40,00,000 per annum or Rs. 20,00,000 per month to the Companies in Special Economic Zone who have not raised any money through public issue or who have not made any default in repayment of their debts.

(b) G.S.R. 670 (E) dated the 30th September, 2002, amending the provisions of Schedule XIII by re-numbering of clause (e), Part-I to the Companies Act, 1956 in respect of Special Economic Zones.

(ii) Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for delay in laying the papers mentioned at (I) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-6853/02]

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Company Affairs) Notification G.S.R. 275 (E) dated the 1st April, 2003, publishing the Public Companies (Terms of Issue of Debentures and Raising of Loans with Option to convert such Debentures or Loans into Shares) Amendment Rules, 2003, under sub-section (3) of section 642 of the Companies Act, 1956. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7424/03]

Sir, I lay on the Table :-

(i) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) Notification S.O. 258 (E) dated the 5th March, 2003, publishing Corrigendum to Notification S.O. 104 (E) dated the 28th January, 2003. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7438/03]

(ii) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) Notification G.S.R. 36 (E) dated the 16th January, 2003, publishing Central Sales Tax (Registration and Turnover) Amendment Rules, 2003, under sub-section (2) of section 13 of the Central Sales Tax Act, 1956, together with an Explanatory Memorandum thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7439/03]

(iii) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) Notification F.No. LD 2897 dated the 12th February, 1997, publishing Industrial Development Bank of India (Issue and Management of Bonds) (Amendment) Regulations, 1996, under sub-section (4) of section 37 of the Industrial Development Bank of India Act, 1964, together with Delay Statement thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7434/03]

(iv) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) Notification S.O. 278 (E) dated the 11th March, 2003, publishing Income-Tax (Second Amendment) Rules, 2003, under section 296 of the Income Tax Act, 1961, together with an Explanatory Memorandum thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7438/03]

(v) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Economic Affairs), under sub-section (3) of section 36 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993:-

(1) G.S.R. 118 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, publishing Debts Recovery Tribunal-III, Delhi, Group 'A' and 'B' (Gazetted) and Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) Posts Recruitment Rules, 2003.

(2) G.S.R. 119 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, publishing Debts Recovery Tribunal-III, Kolkata, Group 'A' and 'B' (Gazetted) and Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) Posts Recruitment Rules, 2003.

(3) G.S.R. 120 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, publishing Debts Recovery Tribunal, Vishakhapatnam, Group 'A' and 'B' (Gazetted) and Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) Posts Recruitment Rules, 2003.

(4) G.S.R. 121 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, publishing Debts Recovery Tribunal, Ranchi, Group 'A' and 'B'

(Gazetted) and Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) Posts Recruitment Rules, 2003.

(5) G.S.R. 122 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, publishing Debts Recovery Tribunal, Pune, Group 'A' and 'B' (Gazetted) and Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) Posts Recruitment Rules, 2003.

(6) G.S.R. 123 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, publishing Debts Recovery Tribunal, Coimbatore, Group 'A' and 'B' (Gazetted) and Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) Posts Recruitment Rules, 2003.

(7) G.S.R. 124 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, publishing Debts Recovery Tribunal, Lucknow, Group 'A' and 'B' (Gazetted) and Group 'B' (Non-Gazetted) Posts Recruitment Rules, 2003. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (7) *See* No. L.T. 7280/03]

(vi) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) Notification G.S.R. 546 (E) dated the 2nd August, 2002, publishing Notification No. 16/2002-Service Tax dated the 2nd August, 2002, exempting all the taxable services provided by any person, to the United Nations or an International Organisation from whole of service tax, under sub-section (4) of section 94 of the Finance Act, 1994, together with the Delay Statement and an Explanatory Memorandum thereon. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-6895/02]

(vii) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Economic Affairs), under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970:-

(1) No. Pension: 3/2002 dated the 11th January, 2003, publishing the Indian Bank (Employees) Pension (Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(2) No. Pension/Misc/2002 dated the 18th January, 2003, publishing the Punjab National Bank Employees' Pension (Amendment) Regulations, 2002. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7611/03]

(viii) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) Notification S.O. 368 (E) dated the 1st April, 2003, publishing Income-Tax (Fourth Amendment) Rules, 2003, under section 296 of the Income Tax Act, 1961, together with an Explanatory Memorandum thereon.

(ix) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) Notification S.O. 367 (E) dated the 1st April, 2003, publishing Corrigendum to Notification S.O. 278 (E) dated the 11th March, 2003, regarding exemption of airline tickets from taxation as perquisites, for the benefit of airline employees, together with an Explanatory Memorandum thereon. [Placed in Library. For (viii) and (ix) *See* No. L.T.-7438/03]

(x) A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Economic Affairs) Notification S.O. 310 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing Finance Commission (Salaries and Allowances) Amendment Rules, 2003, under section 7 of the Finance Commission (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1951. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7440/03]

(xi) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue), under sub-section (7) of section 9A of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:-

(1) G.S.R. 232 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 46/2003-Customs dated the 24th March, 2003, seeking to impose provisional anti-dumping duty on Para Cresol originating in or exported from the People's Republic of China.

(2) G.S.R. 233 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 47/2003-Customs dated the 24th March, 2003 seeking to impose final anti-dumping duty on Phenol originating in or exported from South Africa, Singapore and European Union.

(3) G.S.R. 247 (E) dated the 27th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 48/2003-Customs dated the 27th March, 2003, seeking to impose provisional anti-dumping duty on Sodium Hydroxide commonly known as Caustic Soda originating in or exported from European Union (excluding France) Indonesia and Chinese Taipei.

(4) G.S.R. 248 (E) dated the 27th March, 2003 publishing Notification No. 49/2003-Customs dated the 27th March, 2003 seeking to impose provisional anti-dumping duty on Methylene Chloride originating in or exported from European Union, South Africa and Singapore. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (4) *See* No. L.T.-7441/03]

(xii) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue), under sub-section (2) of section 38 of the Central Excise Act, 1944, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:

(1) G.S.R. 182 (E) dated the 3rd March, 2003 amending G.S.R. 127 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, so as to give full effect to the budget proposal rates of excise duty on items of specified motor vehicles.

(2) G.S.R. 192 (E) dated the 5th March, 2003, amending G. S.R. 127 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, so as to give full effect to the budget proposal rates of excise duty on items of specified motor vehicles.

(3) G.S.R. 210 (E) dated the 11th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 15/2002-Central Excise (NT) dated the 11th March, 2002, exempting duty of excise on parts of bicycle.

(4) G.S.R. 234 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing the CENVAT Credit (Third Amendment) Rules, 2003. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (4) *See* No. L.T.-7437/03]

(5) G.S.R. 235 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 20/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 24th March, 2003, seeking to amend G.S.R. 469(E) dated the 26th June, 2001, so as to allow rebate of the additional duty of excise on tea, paid by a manufacturer or producer on their exportation to any country except Nepal and Bhutan.

(6) G.S.R. 236 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 21/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 24th March, 2003 seeking to amend G.S.R. 470 (E) dated the 26th June, 2001 so as to allow rebate of the additional duty of excise on tea, paid on tea used in the manufacture or processing of export goods or their exportation to any country except Nepal and Bhutan.

(7) G.S.R. 237 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 22/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 24th March, 2003, seeking to amend G.S.R. 471(E) dated the 26th June, 2001, so as to allow export out of India under bond without payment of the additional duty of excise on tea to any country except Nepal and Bhutan.

(8) G.S.R. 238 (E) dated the 24th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 23/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 24th March, 2003, seeking to amend G.S.R. 472(E) dated the 26th June, 2001, so as to allow procurement of tea without payment of additional duty of excise on tea for the purpose of use in the manufacture or processing of export goods and their exportation out of India to any country except Nepal and Bhutan. [Placed in Library. For (5) to (8) *See* No. L.T.-7448/03]

(9) G.S.R. 242 (E) dated the 25th March, 2003, publishing Central Excise (Third Amendment) Rules, 2003.

(10) G.S.R. 243 (E) dated the 25th March, 2003, publishing CENVAT Credit (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2003

(11) G.S.R. 244 (E) dated the 25th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 26/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 25th March, 2003, seeking to amend G.S.R. 465(E) dated the 26th June, 2001, so as to exempt specified persons who are engaged in production of textile and textile article, from requirement of taking registration.

(12) G.S.R. 245 (E) dated the 25th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 20/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 25th March, 2003, seeking to amend G.S.R. 547 (E) dated the 25th March, 1996, so as to extend the exemption from excise duty on goods manufactured on job work basis.

(13) G.S.R. 258 (E) dated the 31st March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 21/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 31st March, 2003, seeking to amend G.S.R. 211 (E) dated the 26th March, 2001, so as to extend validity of the exemption upto the 31st March, 2004. [Placed in Library. For (9) to (13) *See* No. L.T.-7437/03]

(xiii) (1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue) under Section 159 of the Customs Act, 1962, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:

(a) G.S.R. 292 (E) dated the 19th April, 2002, publishing Notification No. 43/2002-Customs dated the 19th April, 2002, seeking to operationalise the Advance Licence Scheme announced in EXIM Policy 2002-2007[Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7437/03]

(b) G.S.R. 298 (E) dated the 22nd April, 2002, publishing Notification No. 45/2002-Customs dated the 22nd April, 2002, seeking to operationalise the Duty Entitlement Pass

Book (DEPB) Scheme announced in EXIM Policy 2002-2007. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7441/03]

(c) G.S.R. 299 (E) dated the 22nd April, 2002, publishing Notification No. 46/2002-Customs dated the 22nd April, 2002, seeking to operationalise the Duty Free Remission Certificate (DFRC) Scheme announced in EXIM Policy 2002-2007.

(d) G.S.R. 300 (E) dated the 22nd April, 2002, publishing Notification No.47/2002-Customs dated the 22nd April, 2002, seeking to operationalise the Advance Licence for Deemed Export Scheme announced in EXIM Policy 2002-2007.

(e) G.S.R. 301 (E) dated the 22nd April, 2002, publishing Notification No. 48/2002-Customs dated the 22nd April, 2002, seeking to amend GSR 118(E) dated the 1st March 2002, enlarging list of embellishment items which are permitted free of Customs duty to Handicrafts, Textile Garments and Leather Garments Sector up to 3% of FOB value of exports.

(f) G.S.R. 302 (E) dated the 24th April, 2002, publishing Notification No. 49/2002-Customs dated the 22nd April, 2002, seeking to amend G.S.R. 481 (E) dated the 5th June, 1995, extending Export Obligation Period upto 2 more years. [Placed in Library. For (c) to (f) *See* No. L.T.-7766/03]

(g) G.S.R. 516 (E) dated the 23rd July, 2002, publishing Notification No. 72/2002-Customs dated the 23rd July, 2002, seeking to amend GSR 118(E) dated the 1st March 2002, regarding amending additional 1% duty free list of embellishment items for leather footwear, leather glove, leather travel bag, leather hand bag and similar leather container sub sectors.

(h) G.S.R. 704 (E) dated the 16th October, 2002, publishing Notification No. 113/2002-Customs dated the 16th October, 2002, amending Customs Notification Nos. 79/95, 110/95, 111/95, 148/95, 149/95, 28/97, 29/97, 31/97, 34/97, 36/97, 77/98, 48/99, 49/2000, 50/2000, 51/2000, 43/2002, 44/2002 and 47/2002 providing for penal interest rate of 15% instead of 24% payable earlier.

(i) G.S.R. 705 (E) dated the 16th October, 2002, publishing Notification No. 114/2002-Customs dated the 16th October, 2002, seeking to amend GSR 118(E) dated 1st March 2002 enabling the garment exporters to import free of duty, sample fabrics of length upto 500 metres during one financial year under 3% duty free schemes for establishments.

(j) G.S.R. 728 (E) dated the 28th October, 2002, publishing Notification No.116/2002-Customs dated the 28th October 2002, amending customs Notification Nos. 11/95, 29/97, 49/2000 and 44/2002 extending the time period for fulfilment of export obligation to 12 years in respect of sick units notified by BIFR and taken by other units for revival.

(k) G.S.R. 760 (E) dated the 12th November, 2002, publishing Notification No. 125/2002-Customs dated the 12th November, 2002 seeking to amend Notification Nos. 79/95, dated 148/95, 149/95, 30/97, 31/97, 34/97, 77/98, 48/99, 48/2000, 51/2000, 43/2002, 45/2002 and 46/2002.

(l) G.S.R. 783 (E) dated the 28th November, 2002, publishing Notification No. 21/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 24th March, 2003, seeking to amend Notification GSR 118(E) dated the 1st March 2002, to permit duty free import of certain additional items of establishments required by handicraft sector and leather sector.

(m) G.S.R. 46 (E) dated the 21st January, 2003, publishing Notification No. 14/2003-Customs dated the 21st January,

2003, seeking to amend G.S.R 184(E) dated the 1st April 1997, to provide longer EO period of 12 years in respect of BIER units covered by EPCG Customs Notification No. 28/97-Customs dated the 1st April, 1997.

(n) G.S.R. 47 (E) dated the 21st January, 2003, publishing Notification No. 15/2003-Customs dated the 21st January, 2003, amending Notification No. 21/2002 dated 1st March 2002, regarding free facility to certain items of leather products.

(o) G.S.R. 126 (E) dated the 24th February, 2003, amending the Notification G.S.R. 67 (E) dated the 5th February, 1999, so as to include the name of M/s Malwa Cotton Spinning Mills Ltd., Ludhiana for the purpose of waiver of duty on autoconers imported by them.

(p) G.S.R. 197 (E) dated the 6th March, 2003, amending G. S.R. 610 (E) dated the 21st October, 1997, so as to omit the reference to gold ornaments in the said notification for the purposes of availing the concessional customs duty of Rs. 250 per 10 gms.

(q) G.S.R. 226 (E) dated the 18th March, 2003, amending G. S.R. 178 (E) dated the 1st March, 2000, so as to increase the concession from 90% to 100% on item covered in List 5 of Notification No. 26/2000-Customs in accordance with India's obligations under the India Sri-Lanka Free Trade Agreement.

(r) S.O. 324 (E) dated the 26th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 24/2003-Customs (NT) dated the 26th March, 2003, laying down the rate of exchange for conversion of certain foreign currency into Indian currency or *vice-versa* for purpose of assessment of import.

(s) S.O. 325 (E) dated the 26th March, 2003, publishing Notification No. 25/2003-Customs (NT) dated the 26th March, 2003, laying down the rate of exchange for

conversion of certain foreign currency into Indian currency or *vice-versa* for purpose of assessment of export.

(2) Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for delay in laying papers mentioned at (1) above. [Placed in Library. For (g) to (s) *See* No. L.T -7436/03]

(xiv) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue), under sub-section (7) of section 9A of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications.

(1) G.S.R. 188(E) dated the 4th March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 38/2003-Customs dated the 4th March, 2003, seeking imposition of final anti-dumping duty in Citric Acid originating in or exported from Indonesia and Thailand at the rates recommended by the Designated Authority from the date of imposition of provisional anti-dumping duty *i.e.* the 26th August, 2002.

(2) G.S.R. 205 (E) dated the 7th March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 40/2003-Customs dated the 7th March, 2003, seeking imposition of final anti-dumping duty on Vitamin A Palmitate, originating in or exported from European Union and Georgia at the rates recommended by Designated Authority from the date of imposition of provisional anti-dumping duty *i.e.* the 13th August, 2002.

(3) S.O. 218 (E) dated the 17th March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 41/2003- Customs dated the 17th March, 2003, seeking imposition of final anti-dumping duty on Vitamin E Acetate and Vitamin E feed grade, originating in or exported from People's Republic of China at the rates recommended by the Designated Authority.

(4) S.O. 219 (E) dated the 17th March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 42/2003-Customs dated the 17th March, 2003, seeking imposition of final anti-dumping duty on

Hexa Methylene Tetramine commonly known as Hexamine originating in or exported from Iran at the rates recommended by the Designated Authority.

(5) G.S.R. 231 (E) dated the 21st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 45/2003-Customs dated the 21st March, 2003, seeking imposition of final anti-dumping duty on polyester Staple Fibers of certain specification originating in or exported from the People's Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Taiwan and Thailand at the rates recommended by the Designated Authority from the date of imposition of provisional anti-dumping duty *i.e.* the 10th July, 2002. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (5) *See* No. L.T.-7441/03]

I. **Reports and Accounts (2000-2002) of the various hotels of Ashok Hotel Company Limited and related papers.**

II. **Report and Accounts (2001-2002) of various cultural centres and related papers.**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RÁJAGOPAL) : Sir, on behalf of Shrimati Bhavanaben Devrajbhai Chikalia, I lay on the Table :-

I. (1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:-

(i) (a) Third Annual Report and Accounts of the Punjab Ashok Hotel Company Limited, Chandigarh, for the year 2000-2001, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Company. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T.-7343/03]

(ii) (a) Fourteenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Donyi Polo Ashok Hotel Corporation Limited, Itanagar, for the year 2000-